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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will meet June 7-13, 2018. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Friday, June 8, 2018 at 9 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT), reconvening at 8 a.m. each day through Wednesday, June 13, 2018. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Friday, June 8 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Spokane City Center, 322 N. Spokane Falls Court, Spokane, WA; telephone: (509) 455-9600.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220. Instructions for attending the meeting via live stream broadcast are given under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204 toll-free; or access the Pacific Council

website, <http://www.pcouncil.org> for the current meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The June 7-13, 2018 meeting of the Pacific Council will be streamed live on the internet. The broadcasts begin initially at 9 a.m. PDT Friday, June 8, 2018 and continue at 8 a.m. daily through Wednesday, June 13, 2018. Broadcasts end daily at 5 p.m. PDT or when business for the day is complete. Only the audio portion and presentations displayed on the screen at the Pacific Council meeting will be broadcast. The audio portion is listen-only; you will be unable to speak to the Pacific Council via the broadcast. To access the meeting online, please use the following link: <http://www.gotomeeting.com/online/webinar/join-webinar> and enter the June Webinar ID, 530-089-227, and your email address. You can attend the webinar online using a computer, tablet, or smart phone, using the GoToMeeting application. It is recommended that you use a computer headset to listen to the meeting, but you may use your telephone for the audio-only portion of the meeting. The audio portion may be attended using a telephone by dialing the toll number 1-562-247-8321 (not a toll-free number), audio access code 240-052-611, and entering the audio pin shown after joining the webinar.

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order. Agenda items noted as “Final Action” refer to actions requiring the Council to transmit a proposed fishery management plan, proposed plan amendment, or proposed regulations to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, under Sections 304 or 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Additional detail on agenda items, Council action, advisory entity meeting times, and meeting rooms are described in Agenda Item A.4, Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, and will be in the

advance June 2018 briefing materials and posted on the Pacific Council website at www.pcouncil.org no later than Friday, May 18, 2018.

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks
2. Roll Call
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Approve Agenda

B. Open Comment Period

1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items

C. Administrative Matters

1. Council Coordination Committee Meeting Report
2. Electronic Monitoring (EM) Cost Allocation Policy Directive
3. National Marine Fisheries Service White Paper on Best Scientific Information Available (BSIA)
4. Research and Data Needs Document – Preliminary Draft
5. Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs
6. Legislative Matters
7. Federal Fishery Permit Citizen Requirements – Scoping
8. Fiscal Matters
9. Approval of Council Meeting Record
10. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
11. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

D. Habitat

1. Current Habitat Issues

E. Groundfish Management

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report
2. New and Continuing Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Approval for 2019-2020
3. Final Action on Stock Assessment Plans and Terms of Reference (TOR)
4. Final Action to Adopt Management Measures for 2019-2020 Fisheries
5. Inseason Adjustments – Final Action

F. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. Live Bait Fishery Allowance Amendment Scoping

G. Highly Migratory Species

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report
2. Recommendations for International Management Activities
3. Drift Gillnet Performance Metrics
4. Update on Existing Deep-Set Buoy Gear (DSGB) Exempted Fishing Permits
5. Deep-Set Buoy Gear Authorization – Final Range of Alternatives and Preliminary Preferred Alternative for Number of Limited Entry Permits
6. Preliminary Review of New Non-Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permit Applications and Resubmission of Previous Deep-Set Buoy Gear Applications
7. Swordfish Management Project Planning and Observer Change

Advisory Body Agendas

Advisory body agendas will include discussions of relevant issues that are on the Pacific Council agenda for this meeting, and may also include issues that may be relevant

to future Council meetings. Proposed advisory body agendas for this meeting will be available on the Pacific Council website

<http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-briefing-book/> no later than Friday, May 18, 2018.

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Day 1—Thursday, June 7, 2018

Habitat Committee	8 AM
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 AM
Legislative Committee	10 AM
Budget Committee	1 PM

Day 2—Friday, June 8, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Enforcement Consultants	3 PM

Day 3—Saturday, June 9, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 AM
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc

Day 4—Sunday, June 10, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 AM
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc

Day 5—Monday, June 11, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 AM
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc

Day 6—Tuesday, June 12, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM
Groundfish Management Team	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 AM
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 AM
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc

Day 7—Wednesday, June 13, 2018

California State Delegation	7 AM
Oregon State Delegation	7 AM
Washington State Delegation	7 AM

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Pacific Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Pacific Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820-2280, ext. 411 at least 10 business days prior to the meeting

date.

Dated: May 17, 2018.

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Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service.

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